

## Decimal Commemoratives (Large Format) - the Last Decade.

**One hundred and four\*** sets of large sized commemorative stamps were issued between the start of 1991 and the end of 2000, involving **496** stamps. Of these only **11** are known with Perfins, all from different sets. As with the first twenty years, the vast majority of these decimal commemoratives are unknown with a Perfin, with **ninety-five** sets in this current batch having no Perfin representative at all! For economy of space, *only issues known with Perfins* have been listed and illustrated. Figures are correct to *1<sup>st</sup> January 2019*.

\* Excludes miniature sheets and booklet stamps from the 'Greetings' series.

Personal and Philatelic Perfins have also been *excluded* from the lists, leaving only commercial, public bodies, and local authority users, of which there are only **five** at this late stage.

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User
<b>1</b>	B1110.05M	BC	1900-1995	Burnley Corporation.
<b>2</b>	C6835.01	C.S/B	1985-1995	Cadbury Schweppes.
<b>3</b>	E0640.01M	E.C/D	1930-1995	Durham (Education Committee).
<b>4</b>	S1210.04M	SC	1886-1997	Salford MBC.
<b>5</b>	U1170.01M	U.L	1903-1996	University of London.

### Tail-end Charlie!



If the Millennium 2000 stamp and 'personal' Perfins are *excluded* from the analysis, then the *most recent* decimal commemorative known with a Perfin is the 26p 'Avro Lancaster Mk I' from the 'British Aircraft Designers' issue (*10<sup>th</sup> June 1997*). The Perfin involved is "SC" (S1210.04M), used by the Metropolitan Borough Council of Salford - 'Salford Corporation'. The 22p 'Supermarine Spitfire' is also known with "SC" (S1210.04M).

I'm sure you will all have favourites from this period which, for whatever reason, you would love to see with a Perfin, but is currently unknown. For what it's worth, here are four of mine!



Dinosaur - 1991



OS Map - 1991



Steam Loco - 1994



Lighthouse - 1998

**Decimal Commemorative sets from 1991-2000.****1991/02 Scientific Achievements**, issued 5<sup>th</sup> March 1991.

{SG1546-1549}.

Designers: P Till (22p stamps), and J Harwood (31p &amp; 37p stamps).

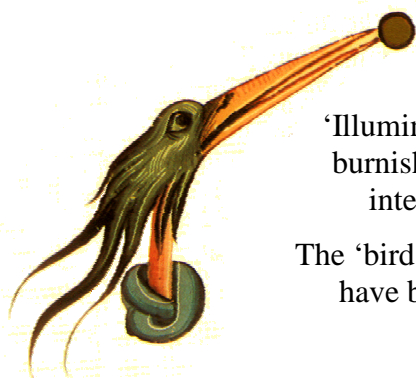
**Faraday  
Electricity****Babbage  
Computer****Watson-Watt  
Radar****Whittle  
Jet Engine**

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	22p	22p	31p	37p
1	S6490.01M	S.S/C	1926-1990	South Shields CB.	22p	---	---	---

**1991/08 Christmas (1991) - Illuminated Manuscripts**, issued 12<sup>th</sup> November 1991.  
{SG1582-1586}.

Designer: David Driver.

The illuminations used on the five postage stamps have been taken from the  
*14<sup>th</sup> century* manuscript known as the '*Acts of Mary and Jesus*',  
which is now in the Bodleian Library.



'Illumination' is the adornment of a manuscript with burnished gold and other precious materials, and is intended to 'light up' the hand-written pages.

The 'bird' and the 'tendrill' illustrations shown alongside have been taken from the GPO Presentation pack, also designed by David Driver.



Adoration of the Magi



Mary and Baby Jesus



Holy Family and Angel



The Annunciation



The flight into Egypt

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	18p	24p	28p	33p	39p
1	C6835.01	C.S/B	1985-1995	Cadbury Schweppes, Bournville.	---	24p	---	---	---



**1992/04 Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1809-1892) - Death Centenary**, issued 6<sup>th</sup> February 1992.  
{SG1607-1610}.

Designer: Irene von Treskow.



Tennyson - 1888



Tennyson - 1856



Tennyson - 1864



As a Young Man

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	24p	28p	33p	39p
1	B1110.05M	BC	1900-1995	Burnley Corporation.	24p	---	---	---

**1992/10 Christmas (1992) - Stained Glass Windows**, issued 10<sup>th</sup> November 1992.  
{SG1634-1638}.

Designers: Carroll, Dempsey & Thirkell Ltd.



Angel Gabriel



Madonna and Child



King with Gold



Shepherds



Kings with  
Frankincense and Myrrh

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	18p	24p	28p	33p	39p
1	C6835.01	C.S/B	1985-1995	Cadbury Schweppes.	---	24p	---	---	---

**1993/03 John Harrison (1693-1776) - Marine Chronometer**, issued 16<sup>th</sup> February 1993.  
{SG1654-1657}.

Designer: Howard Brown.

Marine Timekeeper N° 4 - 1759.



Enamel Dial



Escapement



Balance Spring



Back of Movement

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	24p	28p	33p	39p
1	U1170.01M	U.L	1903-1996	University of London.	24p	---	---	---

**1993/10 Christmas (1993) - A Christmas Carol (1843)**, issued 9<sup>th</sup> November 1993.  
{SG1790-1794}.

Designer: Quentin Blake.



Bob Cratchit and Tiny



Mr & Mrs Fezziwig



Scrooge



The Prize Turkey



Mr Scrooge's Nephew

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	19p	25p	30p	35p	41p
1	B1110.05M	BC	1900-1995	Burnley Corporation.	19p	---	---	---	---
2	E0640.01M	E.C/D	1930-1995	Durham (Education Committee).	19p	---	---	---	---



**1994/03 Paintings by Prince Charles**, issued 1<sup>st</sup> March 1994.

{SG1810-1814}.

Designer: H R H The Prince of Wales.



**Chirk Castle - Wales**



**Ben Arkle - Scotland**



**Mourne Mountains - NI**



**Dersingham - England**



**Dolwyddelan - Wales**

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	19p	25p	30p	35p	41p
1	U1170.01M	U.L	1903-1996	University of London.	19p	---	---	---	---

**1995/08 Pioneers of Communications**, issued 5<sup>th</sup> September 1995.

{SG1887-1890}.

Designed by The Four Hundred, engravings by Czeslaw Slania.

Rowland Hill (1795-1879)

Gugleilmo Marconi (1874-1937)



**Postage Petition**



**Penny Black**



**Early Wireless**



**Sinking of Titanic**

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	19p	25p	41p	60p
1	U1170.01M	U.L	1903-1996	University of London.	---	25p	---	---

1996/04 Centenary of Cinema, issued 16<sup>th</sup> April 1996.

{SG1920-1924}.

Design: The Chase.

The Lumière brothers, **Auguste** Marie Louis Nicolas (1862-1954) and **Louis** Jean (1864-1948), are generally regarded as the first filmmakers, having made their first 'moving pictures' as early as 1892. They later patented the cinematograph, which allowed simultaneous viewing by more than one person, and produced their first film in 1894, '*Sortie de l'usine Lumière de Lyon*', ('Workers leaving the Lumière Factory'). It was just 46 seconds long!



The 'Arrival of a Train at La Ciotat' directed by Louis Lumière dates to 1895.

The first picture show to be held in the UK was at the **Empire** in Leicester Square (London), on 7<sup>th</sup> March 1896. The issued stamp set celebrates this event.



The Odeon



Laurence Olivier



Old Cinema Ticket



Pathe News



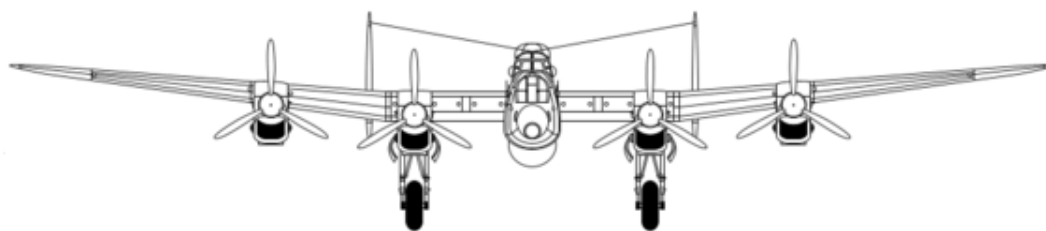
Cinema Sign

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	19p	25p	30p	35p	41p
1	S1210.04M	SC	1886-1997	Salford CBC.	---	25p	---	---	---

**1997/05 British Aircraft Designers**, issued 10<sup>th</sup> June 1997.

{SG1984-1988}.

Design: Turner Duckworth.



Silhouette of a World War II Avro Lancaster heavy bomber built for the Royal Air Force. First flown in 1941, it entered service in 1942. Famously, Lancasters were used in the 'bouncing bomb' attack on the Mohne, Eder and Sorpe Dams (codename Chastise) in May 1943.



**Supermarine Spitfire**  
*Reginald J Mitchell*  
1895-1937



**Avro Lancaster MKI**  
*Roy Chadwick*  
1893-1947



**De Havilland Mosquito**  
*Ronald E Bishop*  
1903-1989



**Gloster Meteor**  
*George Carter*  
1889-1969



**Hawker Hunter**  
*Sydney Camm*  
1893-1955

	Cat No	Letters	In use	User	20p	26p	37p	43p	63p
<b>1</b>	S1210.04M	SC	1886-1997	Salford CBC.	20p	26p	---	---	---

### Note!

This is the **last** of the large format commemorative issues known to have been 'commercially' used with a Perfin. Although appearing later, the 'New Millennium' commemorative stamp issued on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2000 is a definitive sized stamp and can be found listed separately.

*If you know different, please let me know!*